BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2007-57-C - ORDER NO. 2007-197

MARCH 20, 2007

IN RE: Application of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas for Approval to Modify Its

Name to Add d/b/a Embarq

ORDER GRANTING

WAIVER OF NAME

) CHANGE NOTICE

) REQUIREMENT AND

APPROVING NAME

CHANGE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") by way of the Application of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas ("United Telephone") for Approval to Modify Its Name to Add d/b/a Embarq. In relation to this Application, United Telephone requests that the Commission waive the notice of name change requirement issued by the Commission's Docketing Department on February 20, 2007. United Telephone states that it has already provided notice of the name change regarding its separation from the Sprint Nextel Corporation to its residential and business customers by both a letter and bill insert. In addition, it brings to the Commission's attention that a name change approval has already been granted to its affiliate payphone and long distance operations in the state.¹

Since United Telephone has already notified its customers, and since the Commission has already approved a name change for its affiliated telecommunications operations in the state, we find that this request is reasonable. Therefore, the

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¹ For the Commission's approval of a name change regarding United Telephone's affiliate payphone and long distance operations, see Order No. 2006-233 in Docket Nos. 2005-238-C and 2005-407-C.

Commission approves United Telephone's request to waive the name change notice requirement. Further, we approve the request by United Telephone to add the d/b/a name, Embarq.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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